

MARYLAND HEALTH CARE COMMISSION

Schedules for Certificate of Need Review

The Maryland Health Care Commission provides the following schedules to interested members of the public and potential developers of projects involving health services and facilities that are subject to Certificate of Need ("CON") review and approval. The general criteria for Certificate of Need review are set forth at COMAR 10.24.01.08G(3). An applicant must demonstrate that the proposed project is consistent with these review criteria, as well as with applicable standards and need projections in the State Health Plan for Facilities and Services (State Health Plan), in order to be approved for a Certificate of Need.

These Certificate of Need review schedules update and extend the schedules published in *37:7 Md. Register*, pages 591-594 (March 26, 2010) by repealing each previously published scheduled review for which the due date for receipt of Letters of Intent has not yet occurred. These review schedules are not solicitations by the Commission for Certificate of Need applications, and do not indicate in themselves that additional capacity is needed in services subject to Certificate of Need review, or that Certificate of Need applications submitted for the services described will be approved by the Commission.

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For further information about review schedules or procedures, call Paul Parker, Chief of Certificate of Need, at (410) 764-3261.

Acute Care Hospital Projects: Capital Construction and Changes to Bed Capacity

The Commission hereby publishes the following schedules for the submission of Certificate of Need applications by acute care hospitals, for projects that involve capital expenditures related to replacement hospital facilities, new construction or renovation to existing acute care hospitals, proposed increases in licensed medical-surgical-gynecology-additions and/or pediatric bed capacity at existing hospitals, or projects that involve more than one of these categories. Note that the following schedules do not apply to a project to establish a new acute care hospital.

Schedule One: All Acute Care Hospital Projects

Jurisdictions	Letter of Intent Due Date	Pre-Application Conference Date	Application Submission Date
Allegany, Frederick, Garrett, Washington	November 5, 2010	November 17, 2010	January 7, 2011
Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Carroll, Harford, Howard, Baltimore City	December 3, 2010	December 15, 2010	February 4, 2011
Caroline, Cecil, Dorchester, Kent, Queen Anne's, Somerset, Talbot, Wicomico, Worcester	January 7, 2011	January 19, 2011	March 11, 2011
Calvert, Charles, Montgomery, Prince George's, St. Mary's	February 4, 2011	February 16, 2011	April 8, 2011

Schedule Two: All Acute Care Hospital Projects

Jurisdictions	Letter of Intent Due Date	Pre-Application Conference Date	Application Submission Date
Allegany, Frederick, Garrett, Washington	May 6, 2011	May 19, 2011	July 8, 2011
Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Carroll, Harford, Howard, Baltimore City	June 3, 2011	June 15, 2011	August 5, 2011
Caroline, Cecil, Dorchester, Kent, Queen Anne's, Somerset, Talbot, Wicomico, Worcester	July 8, 2011	July 20, 2011	September 9, 2011
Calvert, Charles, Montgomery, Prince George's, St. Mary's	August 5, 2011	August 17, 2011	October 7, 2011

Special Hospitals (Pediatric, Psychiatric, Chronic, and Rehabilitation)

The Commission hereby publishes the following schedules for the submission of applications for any action related to facilities with the "special hospital" license category (psychiatric, chronic, rehabilitation, or pediatric), for projects including a replacement facility for an existing special hospital, capital expenditures for new construction or renovation at an existing special hospital, or changes to service categories or bed capacity in an existing special hospital. Note that the following schedules do not apply to a project to establish a new special hospital.

For this special hospital services schedule, the Commission will use the following regional configuration of counties:

Western Maryland: Allegany, Carroll, Frederick, Garrett, Washington	Central Maryland: Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Harford, Howard, Baltimore City
Montgomery: Montgomery County	Southern Maryland: Calvert, Charles, Prince George's, St. Mary's
Eastern Shore: Caroline, Cecil, Dorchester, Kent, Queen Anne's, Somerset, Talbot, Wicomico, Worcester	

Schedule One Special Hospitals (Pediatric, Psychiatric, Chronic, and Rehabilitation)

Health Planning Region	Letter of Intent Due Date	Pre-Application Conference Date	Application Submission Date
Western Maryland	October 1, 2010	October 13, 2010	December 3, 2010
Montgomery County	December 3, 2010	December 15, 2010	February 4, 2011
Southern Maryland	January 7, 2011	January 19, 2011	March 11, 2011
Central Maryland	February 4, 2011	February 16, 2011	April 8, 2011
Eastern Shore	March 4, 2011	March 16, 2011	May 6, 2011

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Schedule Two
Special Hospitals (Pediatric, Psychiatric, Chronic, and Rehabilitation)

Health Planning Region	Letter of Intent Due Date	Pre-Application Conference Date	Application Submission Date
Western Maryland	April 1, 2011	April 13, 2011	June 3, 2011
Montgomery County	June 3, 2011	June 15, 2011	August 5, 2011
Southern Maryland	July 1, 2011	July 13, 2011	September 2, 2011
Central Maryland	August 5, 2011	August 17, 2011	October 7, 2011
Eastern Shore	September 2, 2011	September 14, 2011	November 4, 2011

Neonatal Intensive Care Units (NICU)

The Commission hereby publishes the following schedules for the submission of applications to establish a new neonatal intensive care unit at an acute care hospital.

Schedule One
Neonatal Intensive Care Units (NICU)

	Letter of Intent Due Date	Pre-Application Conference Date	Application Submission Date
All regions	December 3, 2010	December 15, 2010	February 4, 2011

Schedule Two
Neonatal Intensive Care Units (NICU)

	Letter of Intent Due Date	Pre-Application Conference Date	Application Submission Date
All regions	July 1, 2011	July 13, 2011	September 2, 2011

Alcohol and Substance Abuse Treatment Facilities

The Commission hereby publishes the following schedules for the submission of Certificate of Need applications to establish intermediate care facilities for the treatment of alcohol and substance abuse. Applications will be considered according to this schedule for programs categorized by the Commission as "Track 1," or privately-funded facilities, which are required by State Health Plan policies to treat 15 to 30% indigent and "gray area" clients, for adults or adolescents (up to age 17), respectively, in the health service areas in which the Commission's projections indicate need for new treatment capacity.

Letters of intent and applications to establish "Track 2," or publicly-funded facilities, defined by the State Health Plan as those "substantially funded by the budget processes of the State" or "by one or more jurisdictional governments," [(COMAR 10.24.14.08B(21))], which must reserve at least 50% of their proposed annual adolescent or adult bed capacity for indigent and "gray area" patients, may be submitted at any time.

In the State Health Plan for this service and in this schedule, the following regional configuration of counties applies:

Western Maryland: Allegany, Carroll, Frederick, Garrett, Washington	Central Maryland: Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Harford, Howard, Baltimore City
Montgomery: Montgomery County	Southern Maryland: Calvert, Charles, Prince George's, St. Mary's
Eastern Shore: Caroline, Cecil, Dorchester, Kent, Queen Anne's, Somerset, Talbot, Wicomico, Worcester	

Schedule One: Track 1 (Private) Facilities for Adults
Alcohol and Substance Abuse Treatment Facilities

Health Planning Region	Letter of Intent Due Date	Pre-Application Conference Date	Application Submission Date
Southern Maryland	October 1, 2010	October 13, 2010	December 3, 2010
Eastern Shore	November 5, 2010	November 17, 2010	January 7, 2011
Montgomery County	December 3, 2010	December 15, 2010	February 4, 2011
Western Maryland	January 7, 2011	January 19, 2011	March 11, 2011
Central Maryland	February 4, 2011	February 16, 2011	April 8, 2011

**Schedule Two: Track 1 (Private) Facilities for Adults
Alcohol and Substance Abuse Treatment Facilities**

Health Planning Region	Letter of Intent Due Date	Pre-Application Conference Date	Application Submission Date
Southern Maryland	April 1, 2011	April 13, 2011	June 3, 2011
Eastern Shore	May 6, 2011	May 18, 2011	July 8, 2011
Montgomery County	June 3, 2011	June 15, 2011	August 5, 2011
Western Maryland	July 1, 2011	July 13, 2011	September 2, 2011
Central Maryland	August 5, 2011	August 17, 2011	October 7, 2011

Freestanding Ambulatory Surgical Facilities

The Commission hereby establishes the following schedules for the submission of applications for new freestanding ambulatory surgical facilities, as defined in statute at Health-General Article §19-114(b).

**Schedule One
Freestanding Ambulatory Surgical Facilities**

Jurisdictions	Letter of Intent Due Date	Pre-Application Conference Date	Application Submission Date
Calvert, Charles, Montgomery, Prince George's, St. Mary's	October 1, 2010	October 13, 2010	December 3, 2010
Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Carroll, Harford, Howard, Baltimore City	November 5, 2010	November 17, 2010	January 7, 2011
Caroline, Cecil, Dorchester, Kent, Queen Anne's, Somerset, Talbot Wicomico, Worcester	December 3, 2010	December 15, 2010	February 4, 2011
Allegany, Frederick, Garrett, Washington	February 4, 2011	February 16, 2011	April 8, 2011

**Schedule Two
Freestanding Ambulatory Surgical Facilities**

Jurisdictions	Letter of Intent Due Date	Pre-Application Conference Date	Application Submission Date
Calvert, Charles, Montgomery, Prince George's, St. Mary's	April 1, 2011	April 13, 2011	June 3, 2011
Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Carroll, Harford, Howard, Baltimore City	May 6, 2011	May 18, 2011	July 8, 2011
Caroline, Cecil, Dorchester, Kent, Queen Anne's, Somerset, Talbot Wicomico, Worcester	June 3, 2011	June 15, 2011	August 5, 2011
Allegany, Frederick, Garrett, Washington	August 5, 2011	August 17, 2011	October 7, 2011

Comprehensive Care Facility Projects

The Commission hereby publishes the following schedule for Certificate of Need review of proposed projects affecting comprehensive care facilities ("CCFs").

In the State Health Plan for this service, the following regional configuration of jurisdictions applies:

Western Maryland: Allegany, Carroll, Frederick, Garrett, Washington	Central Maryland: Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Harford, Howard, Baltimore City
Montgomery : Montgomery County	Southern Maryland: Calvert, Charles, Prince George's, St. Mary's
Eastern Shore: Caroline, Cecil, Dorchester, Kent, Queen Anne's, Somerset, Talbot, Wicomico, Worcester	

**Schedule One:
Comprehensive Care Facility Projects**

Health Planning Region	Letter of Intent Due Date	Pre-Application Conference Date	Application Submission Date
Eastern Shore	October 1, 2010	October 13, 2010	December 3, 2010
Western Maryland	November 5, 2010	November 17, 2010	January 7, 2011
Montgomery County	December 3, 2010	December 15, 2010	February 4, 2011
Central Maryland	January 7, 2011	January 19, 2011	March 11, 2011
Southern Maryland	February 4, 2011	February 16, 2011	April 8, 2011

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**Schedule Two:
Comprehensive Care Facility Projects**

Health Planning Region	Letter of Intent Due Date	Pre-Application Conference Date	Application Submission Date
Eastern Shore	April 1, 2011	April 13, 2011	June 3, 2011
Western Maryland	May 6, 2011	May 18, 2011	July 8, 2011
Montgomery County	June 3, 2011	June 15, 2011	August 5, 2011
Central Maryland	July 1, 2011	July 13, 2011	September 2, 2011
Southern Maryland	August 5, 2011	August 17, 2011	October 7, 2011

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This Certificate of Need review schedule expands and supplements the schedule published in 37:21 *Md. Register*, pages 1468—1472 (October 8, 2010). This review schedule is not a solicitation by the Commission for Certificate of Need applications, and does not indicate, in and of itself, that additional capacity is needed in services subject to Certificate of Need review, or that Certificate of Need applications submitted for the services described will be approved by the Commission.

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Comprehensive Care Facility Projects

The Commission hereby publishes the following additional schedule for Certificate of Need review of proposed projects that involve comprehensive care facility (CCF) beds in Calvert County. Schedule One provides an opportunity to propose the addition of CCF beds in a Maryland jurisdiction, Calvert County, for which the most recent State Health Plan need projection (COMAR 10.24.08, Supplement 2, effective March 12, 2007), identified a 2011 adjusted net bed need. Persons interested in submitting a Certificate of Need application involving the addition of beds in this jurisdiction should contact the Maryland Health Care Commission to ascertain the current level of net bed need identified for this jurisdiction prior to the filing of a Certificate of Need application.

Schedule One:

Part A: Proposed New Comprehensive Care Facility Beds

Jurisdiction	Letter of Intent Due Date	Pre-Application Conference Date	Application Submission Date
Calvert County	March 11, 2011	March 23, 2011	May 13, 2011

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